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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2002, the period for response having been extended three (3) months by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and requisite fee, Applicants hereby elect Group I which presently includes claims 6-19, with traverse.

For example, it is not believed that adding claims 20 and/or 21 to the elected group would pose an undue burden on the USPTO. Search results for Group I would significantly overlap with a search conducted for Groups II and/or III.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement as set out in the Office Action.


The present election is made solely to comply with the Office Action and should not be construed as a surrender of any subject matter in the application. The right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims and species of the invention is reserved.

Early examination of this application is earnestly solicited.

Although it is not believed that any further fee is required to consider this submission, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account 04-1105 should any fee be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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